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THE GYMKHANA.

The fourth gymkhana of the season in connection with the Hongkong Jockey Club was held at Happy Valley on Saturday afternoon in the presence of a small number of spectators.

By kind permission of Lieut.-Colonel R. Bayard, D.S.O., and the Officers of the 2nd Battalion the Buffs, the band of the Regiment played selections during the afternoon.

GYMKHANA STAKES.—Value \$100. D. Stakes One Mile. For all China Ponies. Catch weights at 10 st. 6 lbs. Winners of an open race or open Griffins race. 5 lbs. extra. Non-winning Subscription Griffins allowed 5 lbs.

Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's Garth, 154 lbs. (Mr. Johnston) 1
Mr. Dryadus's Trind, 167 lbs. (Mr. Mackie) 2
Mr. Dryadus's Best Friend, 151 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 3

An excellent start was made. Best Friend taking the lead with Pioneer following very close. As they drew up at the bend and Trind made a great effort to secure the leading position but without avail.

Time, 2 m. 21 sec.
Part-mutual, \$12.10. Cash sweeps, 1st \$254.70; 2nd \$70.20; 3rd \$33.10.

POLO SCRAM.—From 2 Mile Post in. Ponies to start facing the village and turn right-handed at fall of flag. Catch weights 11.7.

Hon. Mr. J. W. Gresson's Middlesex, 161 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 1
Mr. J. Johnston's Blue Bird, 151 lbs. (Owner) 2
Commodore H. Lyon's Swan, 161 lbs. (Owner) 3

Middlesex came in an easy winner having lead from the start.

Time, 21 sec.
Part-mutual, \$13.50. Cash sweeps, 1st \$349.60; 2nd \$90.90; 3rd \$49.95.

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE HANDICAP. B. CLASS.—For all China Ponies. En. trances fee \$5.

Mr. Blank's Argyle, 140 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 1
Mr. Seth's The Tortoise (late Strathmill), 150 lbs. (Owner) 2
Major H. Findlay's Polo Stick, 165 lbs. (Owner) 3

Twenty pounds overweight was carried by Polo Stick while Tortoise had seven. The latter led at the start but subsequently Cavalier took up the running. Tortoise again shot ahead at the rock; then Argyle forged to the front, passing the post a good distance ahead.

Time, 1 m. 39 sec.
Part-mutual, \$18.40. Cash sweeps, 1st \$330.75; 2nd \$94.50; 3rd \$47.25.

THREE QUARTERS OF A MILE HANDICAP. A. CLASS.—

Mr. J. Johnston's Herzbild, 157 lbs. (Owner) 1
Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson's H. H. 142 lbs. (Mr. Dupree) 2
Mr. L. K. Leeson's Soudan (late Forster) 158 lbs. (Owner) 3

Herzbild commanded the race from the start and H. H. came in a good second.

Time, 1 m. 38 sec.
Part-mutual, \$25.80. Cash sweeps, 1st \$540.45; 2nd \$198.70; 3rd \$94.35.

INDIVIDUAL TEST-PACING COMPETITION.—China ponies only to be used. Best of three runs. 3 points for a Carry; 2 for a Draw and 1 for a Touch.

Mr. John Johnston 1
Captain Brierley 2
Captain Twiss 3

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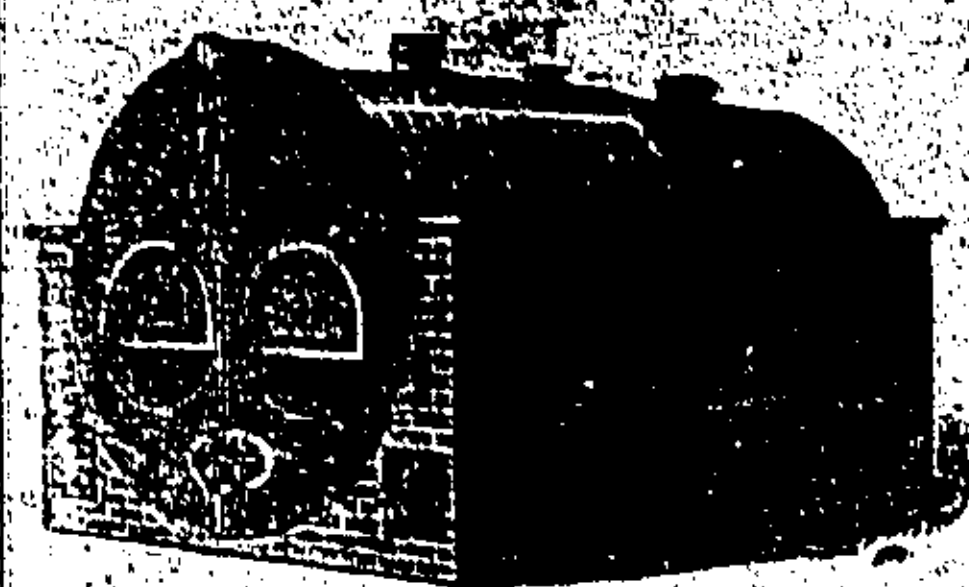
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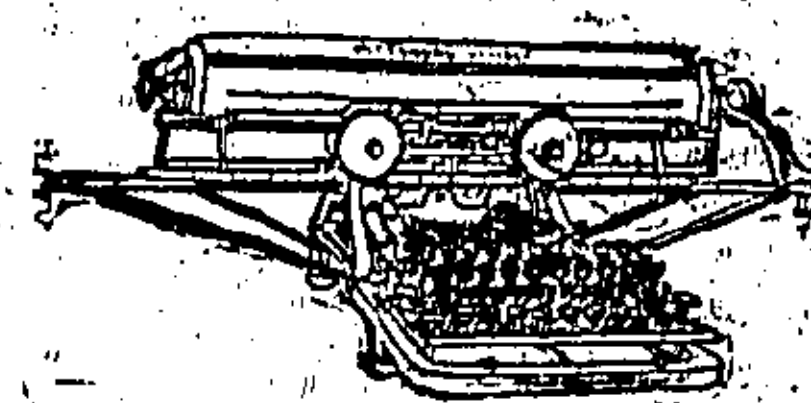
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OFFICES TO LET.
2 ROOMS on 1st Floor HOTEL MAN-
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Hongkong, September 4, 1909. 1185

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Floor, now occupied by Togo Kuen
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Hongkong, September 4, 1909. 1125

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**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
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Hongkong, August 5, 1909. 985

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NOS. 1 & 3, MORRISON HILL.
Offices at No. 3, PEDDER STREET.
Apply
Messrs JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LD.
Hongkong, May 12, 1909. 638

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**GODOWNS Nos. 95, 96 & 97, PRAYA
EAST.**
Apply to
CHATER & MODY.
Hongkong, October 17, 1908. 1422

TO LET.
**SHOP, No. 14, QUEEN'S ROAD
CENTRAL, on Lease.**
Apply to **LEIGH & ORANGE.**
Hongkong, August 25, 1908. 31

TO LET.
**GODOWN No. 54, DUDDELL
STREET.**
Apply to
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**
Hongkong, September 1, 1909. 709

TO LET.
**GODOWNS Nos. 7, 8 and 10, and the
Top Floor of No. 3, (Tang Ting's Lap
Godowns East Point).**
Apply to
KAM POOK,
(behind the Stag Hotel) or (keeper of
No. 6, Godown (on the Spot).
Hongkong, May 29, 1909. 716

TO LET.
**BUXLEY LODGE, CAINE ROAD,
Kowloon, a Boarding House, School,
College, or Family Residence, recently
painted and renovated throughout. Im-
mediate possession.**
Apply to
CHATER & MODY.
Hongkong, May 14, 1909. 650

TO LET.
FIVE-ROOMED HOUSES, at Kowloon.
New and Commodious SHOPS, NATHAN
ROAD, Kowloon. Immediate possession.
Cheap Rentals.
Apply to
**HUMPHREYS' ESTATE & FINANCE
CO., LTD.**
Hongkong, March 23, 1909. 408

TO LET.
NO. 1, GARDEN ROAD, Kowloon.
Eight-Roomed House and Tennis
Court.
Apply to
H. M. H. NEMAZEE,
9, Pedder's Hill.
Hongkong, August 14, 1909. 1025

TO LET.
KING'S BUILDINGS.
OFFICES facing the Harbour, from
about October. At present in occupa-
tion of Messrs Jardine, Matheson & Co.,
Ltd.
Apply
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MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**
Hongkong, September 1, 1909. 794

TO LET.
OFFICES in YORK BUILDING.
**GODOWNS in PRAYA EAST, Blue Build-
ings, and No. 15, D'ARVILLE ROAD next
to the Hongkong Hotel.**
FLATS in MOKSIK TERRACE.
No. 10, D'ARVILLE ROAD, Central, 1st
Floor.
A House in VICTORIA TERRACE.
A House in WONG NAI CHUNG ROAD,
No. 3, OLIPHANT GARDENS, Central
Road.
Office to let No. 2, CORNAUGHT
ROAD, 3rd Floor.
Apply to
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**
Hongkong, September 1, 1909. 49

TO LET.
**THE HYPER, No. 12, First, six Rooms,
Tennis Court and very large garden.**
**BEAUFIELD ACADEMY, 2 Rooms
on 1st Floor, well suited for offices.**
GODOWNS in DUNDAS STREET.
No. 2, BEAUFIELD ACADEMY, 2 Rooms
on 1st Floor, well suited for offices.
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**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LD.**
Hongkong, September 1, 1909. 49

Dentistry.

DR. CHAS. FONG,
DENTIST.
34, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL,
ROOM No. 3, FIRST FLOOR.
(Opposite Post Office).
American graduate with twenty years' experience in
the practice of Dentistry, specialist for treat-
ment of teeth.
Hongkong, April 16, 1908. 530

DR. HARRY FONG,
DENTIST.
AMERICAN TRAINED DENTIST.
ELECTRICAL and Latest Improved
Appliances.
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Hongkong, November 18, 1908. 1979

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DENTIST.
No. 14, D'ARVILLE STREET.
TERMS VERY MODERATE.
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Agents, Hongkong.
Hongkong, August 11, 1909. 1014

**NORTH BRITISH AND MERCHANTS
INSURANCE COMPANY.**
TOTAL FUND AS LAST DIVIDEND, 1907,
£1,114,624.
(Authorized Capital £2,000,000.
Subscribed Capital £2,750,000.
Paid-up Capital £2,687,500 0 0
Reserve Fund £3,065,374 15 11
II—Life & Annuity Fund £14,517,543 3 3
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Life & Annuity £1,847,324 15 11
Sinking Fund Account £423 5 0
£4,135,159 15 11
The Accumulated Funds of the Fire and
Life Departments are free from liability in
sepect of each other.
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents. 24

**PEAK TRAMWAYS COMPANY,
LIMITED.**
TIME TABLE.
WEEK DAYS.
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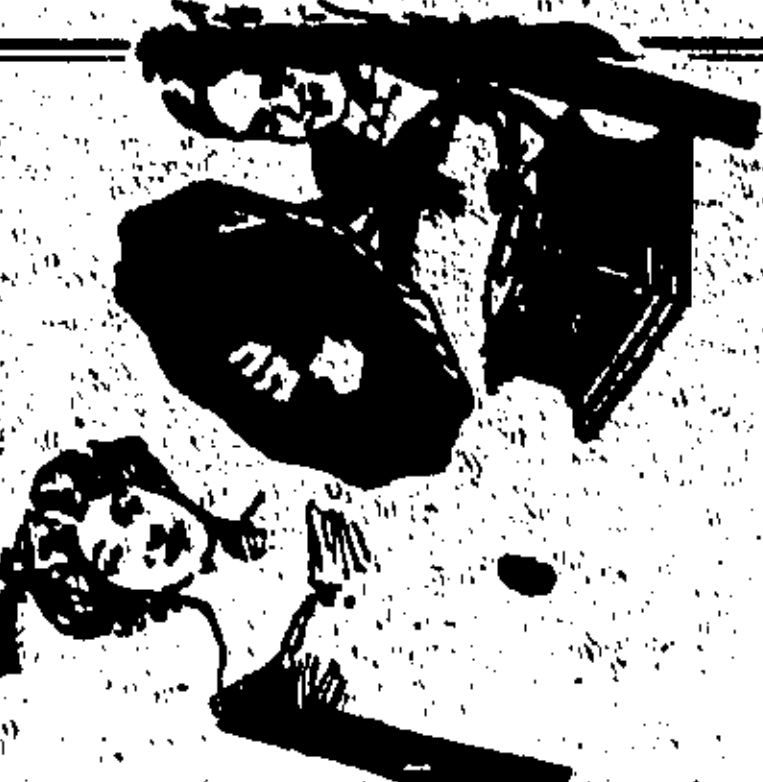
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THURSDAY, September 9 -
11 a.m. - Meeting of China Light & Power
Co., Ltd., at Co's Office.
3 p.m. - Meeting of Hongkong Hotel Co.,
Ltd., at Co's Hotel.

MONDAY, September 13 -
2.15 p.m. - Meeting of His Majesty's
Justices of the Peace at the Magistracy.
Transfer Books of Green Island Cement
Co., Ltd., close from this date to 22nd
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MONDAY, September 14 -
9 a.m. - Military Gun Practice.
5.30 p.m. - Meeting of Hongkong Cricket
League at Hongkong Cricket Club.

THURSDAY, September 23 -
5.30 p.m. - Meeting of Hongkong St.
Andrew's Society at City Hall.

THURSDAY, September 30 -
2.30 p.m. - Auction of Valuable Lease-
hold Land at Shumson, Canton.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, SEPT. 6, 1909.

GERMANY'S DEFICIT.

GERMANY has "balanced her books for 1908 and finds that she is £20,000,000 to the bad. This is not such a large deficit as was at first anticipated, or at least hinted at, by the officials during the recent parliamentary debates which preceded the downfall of Prince Von Bismarck, but it is still bad enough. And yet we read in home papers that despite the new taxes now enforced the new fiscal programme adopted by Germany will not help matters very much. Indeed, there is a general feeling abroad among the nation that it will be absolutely necessary, before many months have elapsed, and after the Reichstag meets again, to find further ways and means of filling what appears to be a bottomless pit. That seems anything but a pleasant prospect. It was not till the 1st of August that the taxpayers of Germany fully realised what the new taxes meant to them individually. The Berlin correspondent of the Standard says that up to that moment the man in the street had regarded the question of fresh taxes more as a theoretical idea, and it was not until his pocket was searched that he realised that

he had to contribute towards the increased naval programme and so-called social reforms. On the last night of July the warehouses of Berlin were besieged with clamouring crowds purchasing matches, coffee, tea, cigars, etc. That night the Berlin housewife could buy ten boxes of matches for ten pfennigs (1d.), or for fifteen pfennigs (1½d.) at the most. Next day they cost 3½d. Coffee had also risen 3½d. per pound with the result that many thrifty people resorted to a substitute for coffee called "small coffee." Matches, says the correspondent, are to be replaced by the tinder and flint apparatus of bygone ages, and all kinds of devices are being resorted to in order to avoid a great increase in household expenses. White beer, one of the most popular drinks in the east of Berlin, was formerly purchased at the ordinary restaurants and beerhouses for 1d. per glass, and will now cost nearly half as much again. Thus the much despised copper pfennig which has lately played no role in Germany has again come into evidence. It has been customary in the larger towns of northern Germany to charge prices rounded off according to the decimal figure of ten, fifteen, twenty, etc. Owing, however, to the fresh taxes, many articles of daily consumption have increased in price, with the result that odd sums of twelve, thirteen, seventeen, and twenty-three pfennigs are charged, and in view of the increased requirements for copper money, the German Government are earnestly considering the advisability of increasing the copper coinage of the Empire. Matches have been purchased by hundreds of thousands of boxes from Sweden and Norway, and it is safe to say that, so far as Berlin is concerned, households are stocked for months to come.

Much disappointment, we read, has been evinced in official circles at the devices which have been resorted to by the hard-hit taxpayer to evade fresh impositions. Scrupulous care has been exercised by Excise officials that no one in the whole of the empire should avoid any of the fresh taxes. Those householders who prudently laid in a large stock of goods which they anticipated would be subject to taxation do not escape. House-to-house visitations take place, and every one possessing more than a stipulated amount of taxable goods is bound to pay a certain duty according to the new scale. Cigarettes and cigars are tied round with so-called Leibbinder, or paper bands, denoting the amount of duty to be paid. Travellers entering Germany who have hitherto been able to avoid Customs duties on suitable articles will in the future have to render tribute. All the Excise regulations are to be enforced with greater care than has hitherto been the case.

The German Empire is a magnificent affair, perhaps the best political creation of the last century, but it is becoming more and more costly to run, and we cannot help wondering how much longer the great taxpaying public will patiently bear the excessive burden of taxation which its rulers seem so desperately anxious to fasten upon its broad shoulders. There is a certain limit to human endurance: when that is crossed we reach breaking-point. How near the Fatherland may be to this breaking-point is one of the secrets which the future will disclose. So far Germany's steadily increasing wealth has enabled her to keep pace with the demands of the Imperial and local treasuries, but the question is how long will this condition of things continue? Some writers contend that Germany has already reached the limit of her tax-paying powers, while others as eagerly argue that there are almost limitless new sources of revenue yet to be drawn upon. One thing, however, is perfectly certain: if Germany intends to keep up the greatest standing army in Europe and expand her Navy at the rate she has done during the last few years, her taxes will have to still further increase to pay the inevitable bills, unless Providence steps in with another solution. But that would be quite a different story.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Again there were no cases of plague notified in the Colony during the week ending September 4th.

The Imperial Government will contribute £250,000 annually towards the maintenance of the Australian fleet.

Today is Labour Day with the Americans. This holiday was initiated by the Labour Union of the United States and is observed throughout the whole country.

M. Latham and M. Blotier have signed articles for an aeroplane match in which the winner will receive £4,000 and the loser £1,000. The race will take place at Wembley Park.

The total output of the Chinese Engineering and Mining Company's three mines for the week ending 21st August amounted 30,183.18 tons and the sales during the period to 20,762.87 tons.

Messrs Vieira & Co. kindly send us a half-gallon tin of Whalley's disinfectant - for which they have been appointed sole agents - together with a packet of pamphlets describing its efficacy and cheapness.

The Jowett understands that the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank has bought the premises now occupied by Messrs Rowley, Davies and Co., in Kaiti Bazar, Batavia, and intends to rebuild the same for bank purposes.

Three cases of enteric fever were reported in the Colony during the past week. One was a British patient, an imported case, and the other two were respectively a Japanese and a Chinese. The only other communicable disease notified was a fatal case of puerperal fever.

The British Government has issued important amendments to the licensing proposals under the Budget. Large reductions are allowed to clubs, hotels and restaurants, but the publicans are not studied, and declare that the reductions do not mitigate the grievance of the London trade.

Shortly after passing Waglan on Thursday the s.s. Persia, which is on her first voyage to Mexico, signalled to an incoming steamer that the second engineer, Mr Scott, had died suddenly after leaving Hongkong and had been buried at sea. The third engineer was also ill and was sent ashore. Two engineers were quickly sent to take their place and the vessel then proceeded on her voyage.

Further reports from the scene of the great hurricane in the state of Nuevo Leon, Mexico, indicate that an extended area was swept by the storm and that Monterey was not the only centre of population that suffered severely from the disaster. Thirty towns are reported to have been more or less badly damaged by the wind and to have been flooded by the accompanying deluge. Hundreds have been added to the death list first reported. Relief continues to pour into the stricken district from all over the two continents.

A Chinaman who assists in *p. et mortem* work at Yumati mortuary has been the means of causing trouble between rival undertakers. It seems that this man has a good deal of influence in placing business in the way of coffin-makers, and it is said that he has shown a distinct partiality towards a certain firm. The result has been that some men employed by another firm, feeling aggrieved, sought out the employees of the more fortunate tradesman and followed up heated discussions with forcible blows. A regular fight ensued and several of the men were more or less injured.

The *Birmingham Post* learns that arrangements have been made which make it practically certain that an important British expedition will be organised before long having for its object the further exploration of the South Polar regions, and especially to reach the South Pole itself. It is felt that, as Mr Shackleton got so near to the southernmost point of the earth, the British should complete the task, and a very strong effort has been made to this end. This effort is now virtually certain of meeting with success as regards the prospects of an expedition being despatched, and it would naturally go under the leadership of one who has already had experience of Antarctic exploration, Capt. Scott.

The arrests and executions of the ringleaders of the recent disturbances at Barcelona continue. Inspector Arrows, of Scotland Yard, has been relieved of his duties. This step meets with popular approval. At the request of King Alfonso, Inspector Arrows, who has great experience of the anarchist movement, was sent by Scotland Yard two or three years ago to take over the control of the detective work at Barcelona in connexion with the constant occurrences of dynamite outrages in that city. The appointment of a foreigner to such a position gave great offence to some sections of the Barcelona population, and during his term of duty he had to face continuous abuse and opposition. Several attempts have been made on his life.

OBSCURE DIARRHOEA.

MANY sufferers from chronic diarrhoea have obtained prompt relief by the use of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. Some of the worst cases of this disease have been permanently cured by its use. It is a pleasant and safe remedy, and all chemists and druggists.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Mirleah, the Resident Superior, is expected to leave Taiching on September 15.

Commander Duchamp, of the U. S. S. Helena, now in harbour, gave a tea to a number of members of the American community this afternoon.

Mr. William Murray Stratton, assistant engineer of the Chinese section of the Canton-Kowloon Railway, and son of the late Mr. George Stratton, contractor, of Edinburgh, was on Saturday, at the Union Church, married to Miss Grace Hunter, who recently arrived in the Colony from Edinburgh. The Rev. T. W. Pearce officiated. The only bridesmaid was Miss Mullock, while Mr. Frank Grove, engineer-in-chief of the Canton-Kowloon railway, gave the bride away. Mr. J. J. Thompson was "best man." A reception was held at the Hongkong Hotel, and later Mr. and Mrs. Stratton left for Macao.

The Batavia *Nieuws van den Dag* notes the death of a Chinese millionaire, Tan Tran Hing by name, at Sourabaya. He bequeathed five millions of guilders to his only son. This is a great fortune, but his property is valued at twenty-seven millions of guilders! He resides at Samarang, where, according to our contemporary, the Chinese feel highly displeased at his daughter, Angela by name, being engaged to the American Consul in that quarter, Mr. Cusfield Stokes. The marriage is arranged for next month. The local Chinese would have preferred Miss Angela marrying one of their countrymen.

ITEMS AT THE COURTS.

At the Magistracy to-day Arthur Rutherford and Alex. Bagdanoff, of the Sailors' Home, were charged with refusing to pay ride-along hire. After hearing the evidence, Mr. F. A. Hazeland discharged both defendants.

Last night an American bluesucker assaulted an Indian constable on the water front at Wanchai and then jumped into this water. The Indian constable after him and on the sailor coming out he was arrested by a European policeman. At the Magistracy to-day the erring bluesucker was fined \$5.

At the Magistracy to-day Inspector Gourlay prosecuted a Chinese shop-keeper for storing 288 cases of spirits of wine and brandy. Mr. P. W. Golding defended. After hearing the evidence Mr. F. A. Hazeland imposed a nominal fine of \$5 and ordered the spirits, valued at \$1,700, to be confiscated.

An instance of the "cuteness" of Chinese thieves was furnished by a case which came before Mr. J. R. Wood at the Magistracy to-day. From the evidence it appeared that the defendant proceeded to a house during the early hours of this morning and set about an endeavour to steal some clothing which he saw hanging on the wall inside. He first tried to get in through the door, but he was unable to get out, and then with a bamboo into the end of which he had driven a nail tried to hook the clothing by inserting it through the iron bars which protected the window. He however did not reckon on the possibility of being caught in the act, for out side, for a looking appeared on the scene and soon arrested him. He was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment.

BANDMAN'S MERRY LITTLE MAIDS IN "HAVANA."

Another delightfully enjoyable evening was provided at the Theatre Royal on Saturday by Bandmann's Merry Little Maids. They gave an exceedingly bright and sparkling production of "Havana," a piece with which they had on a previous occasion charmed a Hongkong audience. All the participants entered thoroughly into the spirit of the play, and the patrons were always kept interested and often highly amused. The comic element was admirably sustained by Mr. Frank Danby and Mr. Frish, who took the respective parts of Reggie and Nix, of the yacht "Sunny Sally." They were simply irresistible. The other parts were also in most capable hands, the work of Miss Mabel Gregory and Miss Florence Beech being particularly meritorious; these ladies continue to increase their reputations at each successive appearance. The music was prettily rendered, the solos being entrusted to efficient vocalists, and the choruses going with plenty of gusto. Some pretty dances were also introduced. It will be heard with distinct pleasure that the Company has decided to prolong its stay. To-night "The Girl of Gettysburg" will be put on; to-morrow, instead of the variety performance "The Gay Gordons" will occupy the boards; while the visit will conclude on Wednesday with a specially requested repeat performance of "The Mikado," which was so charmingly staged by the Company on their last visit.

A crocodile, over 12 feet long, shot in the Klang river, was found to contain several chains and dog badges.

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THE NORTH POLE.

DR. COOK SPEAKS OUT.

Significance of the Discoveries.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, September 5.

Dr. Cook has been interviewed regarding his expedition. He stated that he is prepared to submit his observations to any scientific authorities. The most important result of the expedition, he said, was not the reaching of the Pole, but the travelling round thirty thousand square miles of new land.

London, September 5.

Dr. Cook met with a most enthusiastic reception on his arrival at Copenhagen. He was received by H. M. King Frederick VIII.

PRESIDENT TAFT SENDS CONGRATULATIONS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, September 6.

President Taft has telegraphed his congratulations to Dr. Cook.

[Note - From Manila papers we learn that Dr. Cook, the Arctic explorer, who is said to have discovered the North Pole, before his last reappearance within the pale of civilisation, had previously been heard from on March 17, 1908, when he sent a letter back by an Eskimo messenger. Cook was then on the polar ice north of Cape Hubbard and 600 miles from the pole. He was well equipped with supplies, sledges and dogs. Rudolph, Francis, whom Cook left at Annetok, received the letter on March 17 and reached civilization with it. Dr. Frederick Albert Cook made two polar trips before leading his own expedition. He was surgeon of the Peary expedition of 1897-8, and accompanied the Belgian expedition of 1897-9 to the antarctic regions in the same capacity. He led the expedition to explore and climb Mount McKinley in 1903-4. "Through the First Antarctic Night," and "To the Top of the Continent" are books from his pen. Dr. Cook was born in New York State June 10, 1868. His decorations include: Order of Leopold, Belgium; gold medal of Royal Society, Belgium; silver medal Royal Geographical Society, Belgium.

GREAT BRITAIN AND AUSTRIA.

KING EDWARD'S GOOD OFFICES.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, September 5.

The Times correspondent at Marienbad states that as a result of the King's informal conversations with prominent Austro-Hungarian, Anglo-Austrian relations are in a fair way of regaining their former cordiality.

KING EDWARD'S HEALTH.

SOUND AS A MAN TEN YEARS YOUNGER.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, September 5.

H. M. the King has left Marienbad. An official statement says that His Majesty is in perfect health. His strength is in every way similar to that of a man ten years younger.

GERMAN LEGISLATORS AS AVIATORS.

TRIPS IN THE ZEPPELIN AIRSHIP.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

London, September 6.

Count Zeppelin invited two hundred members of the Reichstag and the Federal Council to Friedrichshafen and took them in batches of fifteen in airship trips across Lake Constance.

THE CANTON RAILWAY SENSATION.

MR. BUTLER-WRIGHT ON "TENYO MARU."

Arrested at Woosung this Morning.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

SHANGHAI, September 6.

Mr. Butler-Wright was arrested this morning at Woosung by the Municipal Police on a warrant issued by the British Consul countersigned by the Japanese Consul. The arrested man is to be brought up in Court this afternoon.

DENIES ACCUSATION.

SHANGHAI, September 5, 3.27 p.m.

Mr. Wright was brought up at the British Court this afternoon and was remanded for seven days, pending instructions from Canton. He denied the accusation alleged against him.

IN SEARCH OF NAVAL STATIONS.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 5.

Prince Shan and Admiral Sah have reported to the Throne that they have visited Chekiang and are on their way to Fokien Province.

NEW COMBINATION OF POWERS.

GERMANY, AMERICA AND CHINA.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 5.

His Excellency Na Tung suggests that Germany and America be asked to join China in the formation of a new Triple Alliance.

JAPANESE CONSULATE FOR CHIANTAO.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 5.

China has agreed that Japan may establish a Consulate in Chiantao.

JAPANESE RAILWAY GUARDS WITHDRAWN.

(Wah Tat Yat Po's Service.)

PEKING, September 5.

Japan has withdrawn her railway guards from the Mukden-Antung line.

HONGKONG TECHNICAL INSTITUTE.

A course of lectures on Sanitation, with special reference to the requirements for the Sanitary Inspectors' certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute, will be given by Dr. Francis Clark, M.O.H., at the Sanitary Board Offices, "Beaconsfield," every Monday fortnight from October 1st to January 24th, commencing punctually at 8.45 p.m.

EMBEZZLED TO GET MARRIED.

A charge of embezzling various sums amounting to over \$100 was to-day preferred at the Magistracy, against the sheriff of Watson's Kowloon Dispensary. Prisoner was brought before Mr. J. R. Wood, and was formally remanded until Thursday next.

When arrested and charged the sheriff told the police that he knew the money was due from him, but he thought he would be able to repay it in a little time. Asked what he had done with the money he said he had lost some of it, and got married on the remainder.

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JAPAN AT SAN FRANCISCO'S CELEBRATION.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The cruiser Lamto will start for San Francisco on the 20th inst. and is expected to arrive at her destination on 12th proximo. She will take part in the jubilee festivities of the port.

THE CHINO-JAPAN AGREEMENT.

DOCUMENTS SIGNED.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Chino-Japan agreement regarding the Manchurian railways was signed yesterday. By this agreement, Japan is recognised as Chinese territory and Japan obtains the right to construct the Kirin-Kaiman railway, the Fakuken railway, the Fushan railway, the Yinkow branch line, and the Seoul-Mukden railway questions have all been settled. The land along the Amnong railway is to come under Japanese control.
The above agreement is not officially published here yet.

AVIATION IN JAPAN.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Military Aeroplane Association will hold its general meeting on the 7th inst. to discuss the rules and the objects to be studied by the Association.

LARGE INCREASE IN REVENUE.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Government officials believe that the natural increase of revenue will amount to 25,000,000 yen in the next fiscal year.

JAPAN'S TARIFF REVISION.

(Independent News Agency's Service to the China Mail.)
Tokyo, September 5.
The Tariff Revision Committee have entirely finished their work.

MACAO NOTES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
MACAO, September 3.
We failed to mention in last advice that the reference to the rumoured haul of firearms on a vessel freighted with a theatrical troupe was based on official assurances that the occurrence was a put-and-out hoax.

There is a full in the recent stir to raise the market prices of our vital commodities, the activities of the fire-eaters being apparently now wholly centered on a fresh-blown expedition in the Heungshan district. Details are to hand of a monster mass meeting convened on 26th ulto, in view of pressing representations said to have been forwarded to the Sub-Commission of the Macao Boundary Protection Society by the village elders of Mong Ha, consequent on the issue, in the Gazette, of one of the usual forenoctics of the land resumption which is now being gradually carried out. The locality in this instance lay in the foregoing hamlet, the property in question consisting of three tumble-down cots. And our peace abiding goodmen are, as far as we know, the guileless primogenitors of the seething discontent now rampant round and about the outer edges of the Colony. The wonted rant and fustian marked the strident utterances and it was eventually resolved that a body of volunteers should be recruited from among the population of the 98 outlying villages to withstand further encroachments by Portugal on their soil and as a general measure of self-defence in the event of aggression. Special messengers were detailed to set the scheme a-going at all the villages. A doctore was commissioned to interview R.E. Kao Yeh Chien while another sweeping protest was sent on to viceregal headquarters at Canton. Whatever insidious charges the latter held, the fact is that the garrison Kwang Chik has been moored in the offing against Chin San over since the day before yesterday; presumably to keep an eye on the clandestine designs of Portugal. This last move is, no doubt, well timed to fall in with the advent of the new Viceroy at Canton.

The *Vida Nova* was yesterday the recipient of an anonymous missive by way of relay to the open letters addressed within the last fortnight to the Self-Government Society. It is indeed a hopeful task involving with those who have eyes and will see. The message struck an ominous note of warning for the native manipulator of the *Vida Nova*, and went on to say that Commissioner Kao himself stood to receive scant money at their hands if he did not carefully mind his p's and q's.

CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDY.
This remedy has been in use for over thirty years and has proved itself to be the most successful remedy for colic, cholera, and diarrhoea. It is a powerful purgative and is sold by all chemists and druggists.

CANTON RAILWAY SENATION.

ALLEGED HEAVY DEFALCATIONS.

Mr Butler Wright Arrested at Woonung this Morning.

Hongkong has been thrown into a state of considerable excitement at a piece of news which has just leaked out. It is to the effect that Mr W. Butler Wright, chief accountant on the Chinese section of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, has become involved in defalcations said by rumour to amount to some \$60,000.
Since his appointment at Canton, Mr Wright has been a constant visitor to Hongkong, scarcely a week passing without his making a trip down. He was, therefore, a well-known figure in the Colony, and he soon made a large circle of acquaintances, who have been simply astounded at the suggestion that he is in any way implicated in any shady affair. In Canton he was an exceedingly well-known man. He occupied a residence on the Shameen, entertained royally, and took the keenest interest in the life and sport of the European community there. He had the reputation of being a most generous man, and both at Canton and in Hongkong he was most liberal in disposing of his dollars.
At the present time it is not known with certainty who actually made the discovery of the defalcations in the accounts, but it would appear that for some time an auditor has been investigating the financial state of the undertaking, and rumours gradually leaked out. Mr Wright left Canton on Thursday and arrived in Hongkong on the following day. He was seen on the Star Ferry launch which left Kowloon at nine o'clock that morning, when he was carrying a small hand-bag, while later in the day he was seen about in the town; apparently plunged to the collar in business. He took a passage by the s.s. Tenyo Maru, which left Hongkong that day, and so the Hongkong police when informed that he was wanted, about 5 p.m. on Friday, had little difficulty in following his track. The Tenyo Maru, after calling in Keelung for some Formosa tea, proceeded to Woonung, where she arrived this morning. Here a consular warrant issued by the British Consul-General at Shanghai and countersigned by the Japanese Consul was waiting, and on the vessel being boarded by the officers of the law Mr Wright was promptly arrested. Our Shanghai Correspondent wires that he was brought up before the Court this afternoon, and remanded for seven days, pending the arrival of instructions from Canton. Mr Wright denied the accusation which had been laid against him.

TYPHOON WARNING.

The American Consulate General at Hongkong received the following telegram from the Manila Observatory at 11.45 a.m. on September 6, at 11.20 a.m.:—Depression Northern part China Sea.
The Hongkong Observatory remarks that a feeble cyclonic circulation is shown over the North part of the China Sea, so a depression is probably developing to the W. or N.W. of Luzon.

A FATAL MISTAKE.

Last night a Chinaman mistook the residence of a neighbour for his own and proceeded to ascend the lengthy stairs. When he reached the top a woman asked him what he wanted there. Realising his mistake, he turned round and was hastily descending when he slipped and fell to the bottom. He received nasty injuries about the head and was conveyed to the Government hospital, where he died some little time after admission.

INDIA'S BIG DEFICIT.

The strong hand with which the Government are going to put down sedition, mongering in India was the main feature of the masterly address of the Master of Elibank when introducing the Indian Budget in the House of Commons.
The main points of the new Under-Secretary's speech were as follows:—
"The financial year closed with a deficit of 3½ millions.
A serious falling off in the gross receipts from the Indian railways, owing to restricted trade.
Lord Kitchener's great work in re-modelling the Indian Army.
The ruined harvests of a year or two ago have resulted in the loss of 7,000,000 tons of food grain, valued at £26,000,000.
The authorities have been able to close the relief works since, and there is no general distress now.
The plague has decreased in virulence. Last year the death rate was reduced to one-ninth of that of the previous year.
The Under-Secretary graciously expressed the sympathy of the House with Lady Wylie, and her indebtedness to the Indian gentleman who gave his life at the Imperial Institute in the attempt to save Sir Curzon.
"The crime was an isolated act and not connected with any general widespread conspiracy against British power," he said.

HOW TO PREVENT BLOOD POISON.

CARELESSNESS and neglect are the chief causes of blood poisoning. A cut or bruise, however slight, should have immediate attention. A good ointment and one that not only gives prompt relief from pain, but being antiseptic, heals the wound without maturation, is Chamberlain's Pain Balm. When this remedy is applied all danger from blood poisoning is avoided. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following report of the board of directors will be presented at the ordinary meeting of shareholders, to be held at the Company's Hotel at 12.30 p.m. on Saturday, the 11th September, 1909:—The Directors now beg to submit their Report for the half-year ended 30th June, 1909.
The Profit and Loss Account amounted to \$71,134.54 as compared with \$30,332.30 for the corresponding period of 1908, being a decrease of \$40,802.24.
The Profit and Loss Account, including the sum of \$205.40 brought forward from 31st December, 1908, shows a credit balance of \$70,929.14, which the Directors recommend should be apportioned as follows:—
To pay a dividend of \$2.40 per Share on 12,000 Old Shares \$28,800.00 and 40 cents per Share on 7,897 New Shares 3,158.80 \$31,958.80
To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account 10,000.00
To transfer to Furniture and Fittings 3,000.00
To write off Electric Plant 4,000.00
To carry forward to New account 19,972.49 \$70,929.14

Dr. J. W. Noble has been granted leave of absence. Hon. Mr. E. Osborne retires by rotation, but offers himself for re-election.
In the absence of Messrs Jeffries and Lowe, the accounts have been audited by Messrs A. O'D. Gordin and E. A. M. Williams. Messrs H. U. Jeffries and A. R. Lowe offer themselves for re-election.
Profit and Loss Account
For the Six Months ending 30th June, 1909.
Dr. To Bad Debts and Refunds \$ 241.67
To Crown Rent 255.93
To Rates 2,729.00
To Fire Insurance 3,104.13
To Interest 19,126.85
To Directors and Auditors' Fees 3,200.00
To Balance to be appropriated as follows:
To pay dividend of \$2.40 per share on 12,000 Old Shares \$28,800.00
To pay dividend of 40 cents per share on 7,897 New Shares 3,158.80
To transfer to Repairs and Renewals Account 10,000.00
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To write off Electric Plant 4,000.00
To carry forward to New account 19,972.49 \$70,929.14

SPORTING.

Cricket.

KOWLOON CLUB.
A nice match between teams representing Mr. T. Chee and Mr. J. P. Robinson was played at Kowloon on Saturday, the match being the opening of the season for the Kowloon Cricket Club. The scorers were:—
MR. CHEE'S TEAM.
L. J. Blackburn, b. Simmons 5
C. E. Libbard, c. Weaver, b. Simmons 3
S. Lightfoot, b. Lockman 42
J. Bouzeville, c. and b. Weaver 13
Johnson, b. Parks 3
A. E. Foster, c. Gregory, b. Parks 9
T. Chee, c. Gregory, b. Robinson 32
W. L. Elson, b. Weaver 5
Jones, not out 11
Extras 14
Total 128
MR. ROBINSON'S TEAM.
D. J. Mackenzie, c. 50
A. Gregory, c. Bouzeville, b. Lightfoot 5
S. Lockman, c. Blackburn, b. Johnson 46
J. P. Robinson, c. Bouzeville, b. Elson 3
Capt. Parks, not out 21
Weaver, c. Elson, b. Blackburn 21
H. W. Kilby, c. and b. Fowler 8
Extras 14
Total 156
Simmons and Sibbitt did not bat.

Billiards.

CARMICHAEL CUP.
Mr. W. Russell met Mr. J. Budge in the Carmichael Cup competition, at the Institute of Engineers and Shipbuilders on Saturday evening when the latter was beaten by only four points. Mr. Russell received 65 and Mr. Budge was 30 behind, the scores being 250 to 246. From the scores it will be seen that Mr. Budge played an excellent game and his hand luck in being defeated, although it was a most honourable defeat.

Lawn Tennis.

WIGWAM CLUB v. WATSONS.
At the Wigwam Tennis Club, Kowloon, on Saturday a friendly match took place between six members of the Wigwam Club and a similar number representing Messrs A. S. Watson and Co. The teams were as follows:—
WIGWAM TENNIS CLUB:—Messrs. Boyce and Brewer, Irving and Jeffries, Bevan and Ayonell.
WATSONS:—Messrs. A. S. Watson and Co.—Messrs. Capell and Phillips, E. A. Miller and Harper, Tarrant and Taylor.
"Play was for the best of 11 games, and the scores were as follows:—
Games Games
Boyce & Brewer 9 Capell & Phillips 2
" " 9 Miller & Harper 2
" " 11 Taylor & Tarrant 5
Irving & Jeffries 6 Miller & Harper 5
" " 5 Capell & Phillips 2
Aronell & Bevan 10 Miller & Harper 1
" " 6 Capell & Phillips 5
" " 10 Taylor & Tarrant 1
W. T. Club, 75 A. S. Watson & Co. 24
Some misunderstanding occurred as to the time of starting and Messrs Watson's team were somewhat late. In consequence Messrs Capell and Phillips played together instead of Taylor and Phillips and as these two players had not practised together it is possible that the result was somewhat different to what it might have been.

Y. M. C. A. TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

A tennis tournament, comprising gent's singles, gent's doubles and mixed doubles, commences on the Y. M. C. A. courts this week. Appointed are the draws:
GENT'S SINGLES.
First round—Pelling (owe 15) v. Fuller (scr.); Fowler (owe 40) v. White (scr.); Penfold (scr.) v. Le Breton (owe 40); Young (scr.) v. Vireash (owe 15); Cubey (scr. 15) v. Lewis (scr. 15); Hore (scr. 15) v. Piercey (owe 15).
Second round—Ricketts (owe 30), Hicks (owe 15), Clements (owe 30), Harding (scr. 15), Dater (scr.), McPherson (owe 20), Haigh (scr.), Edwards (owe 40), Hayne (scr.), Taylor (owe 30).
First round to be completed by Sept. 12th, second Sept. 22nd, third Sept. 28th.
GENT'S DOUBLES.
First round—Hayne and White (scr.) v. Baker and McPherson (owe 15); Taylor and Piercey (owe 15) v. Lewis and White (scr. 15); Penfold and Felling (scr.) v. Ellison and Young (scr.).
Second round—Fowler and Ricketts (owe 40) v. Clements and Penfold (owe 15); Le Breton and Hicks (owe 30) v. Haigh and Fuller (scr. 15); Edwards and Cubey (owe 15).
First round to be completed by Sept. 14th, second Sept. 20th, third Sept. 24th.
MIXED DOUBLES.
First round—Miss E. Baker and Mr. Fowler (owe 30) v. Miss Pearce and Mr. Vireash (owe 15); Miss Myles and Mr. Graham (owe 15) v. Miss Thomas and Mr. Taylor (scr.).
Second round—Miss White and Mr. Le Breton (owe 30) v. Miss Crawford and Mr. Clements (owe 20); Miss Young and Capt. Baker (owe 15) v. Miss Butler and Mr. McPherson (owe 20); Miss Roberts and Mr. Vireash (owe 15) v. Miss Baker and Mr. Edwards (owe 30) v. A. P. C. O.
First round to be completed by Sept. 12th, second 22nd.

THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

Balance Sheet, 30th June, 1909.
CAPITAL.
12,000 Old Shares at \$50 each (fully paid up) \$600,000.00
8,000 New Shares each \$25 paid up \$200,000.00
Less 103 New Shares not yet issued 2,575.00
1,500 Mortgage Debentures (\$20) \$750,000.00
Less 800 held by the Company 400,000.00
Reserve Fund 350,000.00
Undivided Profits 447,784.77
Unclaimed Dividends 1,401.50
Repairs and Renewals Account, balance as per Statement 4,088.52
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (Current Account) 225,877.69
Profit and Loss account, balance as per Statement 70,231.29
\$2,145,564.55
ASSETS.
Value of Marine Lot No. 5 & remaining portion of Marine Lot No. 7, and Buildings thereon as per last A/c. \$1,092,020.83
Since expended on alterations and additions to Buildings 2,289.68
Praya Reclamation, Marine Lot No. 288, as per last Account and Building thereon (Hotel Mansion) 621,892.69
Rebuilding Bath Block, payments on account to date 101,793.92
Cst. of Three Chinese Houses on Section B, C, and D of Island Lot No. 80 33,000.00
Cst. of Section E, Island Lot No. 3 Section A 30,298.90
\$1,869,485.94

ROBINSON'S

Machine, Furniture, as per last account, \$115,754.70
Less written off, as per last Report 6,800.00
Balance, added 42,780.63
\$149,905.33
Installation of Electric Light as per last account \$20,500.00
Less written off, as per last Report 1,500.00
Balance, added 19,000.00
Stock of Linen, Crockery, Glassware, etc. 33,900.56
Stock of Wines, Provisions, Household Sundries, and Stationery, as per inventory 18,103.93
Shares in Public Companies 4,371.31
Value of Steam Launch 4,500.00
Sundry Debtors 37,127.59
Licences attaching to 1909 B. Fire Insurance Account (un-earned premium) 1,246.67
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (Un-earned Dividends Account) 1,401.50
Cash in hand 261.43
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The Score, by Lucas Malet
The Affair on the Bridge, by L. Morgan
Everybody's Secret, by Dion Clayton Calverton
The Pools of Silence, by H. De Vere Stacpoole
The Coming of Aurora, by Mrs. Philip Thompson De Grey
A Family of Influence, by W. H. Williams
The Uplift Lamp, by Algernon Gissing
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TJIKINI	JAVA	Second half of Sept.	JAPAN	Second half of Sept.
TJIPANAS	JAVA	Do.	SHANGHAI	Do.
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Steamship	Tons	Captain	For	Sailing Date
KATIRO	3540	R. Rodgers	Manila	SATURDAY, Sept. 11, at Noon.
RUBI	3540	W. R. Almond	Manila	Sept. 18, at Noon.

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HAITAN, AMOY & FOOSHOW, WEDNESDAY, 8th

Capt. J. S. Rosch, at 10 a.m.

HAINAN, SWATOW, WEDNESDAY, 8th

Capt. J. W. Evans, at 9 p.m.

HAIYANG, SWATOW, AMOY & FOOSHOW, FRIDAY, 10th

Capt. A. E. Hodgkin, at 2 p.m.

For the convenience of Passengers, Steamers will arrive at, and

depart from, the Company's Wharf (near Blake Pier).

A reduction of 20 per cent on First-Class Fares to Foochow will

be made during the months of August and September.

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DOUGLAS, LAPRAIK & CO.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, November 17, 1908.

THE EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN
MAIL SERVICE.MAIL SCHEDULE.
(SUBJECT TO MODIFICATION)

STEAMERS	ARRIVE HONGKONG FROM AUSTRALIA	LEAVE HONGKONG FOR AUSTRALIA
EMPIRE	Sept. 21.	15th Sept., at Noon.
EASTERN	Oct. 19.	13th Oct., at Noon.
ALDENHAM		10th Nov., at Noon.

THE above Steamers are fitted with Refrigerating Machinery, ensuring a plentiful

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THE Company's Steamship

NIPPON, Captain TANAKA, will be despatched as

above on or about SATURDAY, the 25th

September.

This Steamer has capital accommoda-

tion for passengers, Electric Light, and

carries a Doctor.

For information as to Passage and

Freight, apply to

SANDER, WHEELER & CO.,

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other above destinations on or about the

18th September.

For further particulars apply to

MESSAGERIES MARITIMES,

Agents at Hongkong.

Hongkong, April 14, 1909.

Notices to Consignees

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP
COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PORTLAND AND JAPAN

PORTS.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship

HENRIK ISEN.

The above named steamer having

arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby

notified to send their Bills of Lading for

counter-signature, and to take immediate

delivery of Cargo from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel

will be discharged at once, at Consignees' risk

and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after MON-

DAY, September 6th, 1909, at Noon, will be

landed and stored at Consignees' risk

and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All cargo undelivered on SATURDAY,

September 11th, 1909, at Noon, will be

subject to rent.

All claims and otherwise damaged cargo

will be examined at the above Company's

Godown on THURSDAY, September 9th,

1909, at 10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE,

Agent.

Hongkong, September 4, 1909. 1188

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE Co.'s Steamship Glamorgan, having

arrived from the above ports, Consignees of

Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods

are being landed and placed at their risk in the

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